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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully notes that U.S. Patent No. 5,097,360 was cited during the prosecution of the Japanese application from which the subject application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

Abstracts for Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 9-329744 were obtained from a commercial database and are also enclosed, in addition to the Japanese document.

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No fee is believed due; however, any fee required in connection with this paper should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

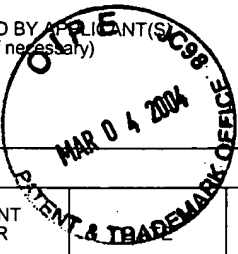
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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		5,097,360	3/17/92	Fukami, et al.	359	674	
		5,721,641	2/24/98	Aoki	359	557	
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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		09-329744	12/22/97	Japan			Abstracts
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